

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re patent application of:) Date: April 29, 2009
Easwaran Nambudiri) Attorney Docket No.: F-678
Serial No.: 10/695,539) Customer No.: 00919
Filed: October 28, 2003) Group Art Unit: 2129
Confirmation No.: 6441) Examiner: K. Bharadwaj
Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR IMPROVING SECURITY OF
POSTAGE INDICIA UTILIZING RESOLUTION AND PIXEL SIZE

**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER
TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences the decision of the Primary Examiner dated October 30, 2008 to finally reject claims 8-20, 22, 23 and 25-27.

A Pre-Appeal brief Request for Review is being filed concurrently herewith.

Applicant initially replied within 2 months from the date of mailing of the final rejection that set a 3-month shortened statutory period for reply. Since the Office has not mailed an advisory action to date (now after the end of the 3-month shortened period), the period for reply for purposes of determining the amount of any extension fee will be the date on which the Office mails the advisory action. Pursuant to MPEP 714.13, the shortened statutory period has not yet expired and therefore no extension fees are due for this Notice of Appeal.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. **16-1885**.

Respectfully submitted,

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